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TO AMEMBASSY ANKARA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: ETHIOPIA

REF: DAMASCUS 0895 (SECTO 123)

FOR SISCO FROM MULCAHY

1. AMBASSADOR HUMMEL EXPECTS TO SEE FONMIN KIFLE TODAY TO CONVEY INSTRUCTIONS TO HIM. WILL SEND YOU DETAILS OF MEETING AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE REPORT FROM ADDIS.

2. FOLLOWING SUCH MEETING WE WILL BE INSTRUCTING CHIEF MAAG TO PROCEED WITH ALL POSSIBLE HASTE TO WORK OUT SPECIFICS OF DOLS 7 MILLION CASH SALE PACKAGE WITH ETHIOPIAN DEFENSE MINISTRY. UPON SIGNATURE LETTER OF OFFER BY EPMG COVERING AMMUNITION TO BE PURCHASED, DOD WILL ISSUE NECESSARY INSTRUCTIONS TO EFFECT SHIPMENT OF MATERIAL, EITHER BY SURFACE OR BY AIR AS PRIORITY DICTATES. WE INTEND FOR SHIPMENTS TO BE AS INCONSPICUOUS AS POSSIBLE, WITH ONLY LIMITED AMOUNT GOING BY AIR.

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3. RE HEAVIER EQUIPMENT MOVING UNDER REGULAR MILITARY
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, ONLY ITEMS DUE TO ARRIVE IN ETHIOPIA
SOON ARE ELEVEN M-60 TANKS (WHICH WE AGREED SEVERAL MONTHS

AGO TO PROVIDE). SHIP BEARING THESE TANKS LEFT ROTTERDAM
FEB 28 AND IS DUE AT PORT OF ASSAB IN ETHIOPIA ON MARCH
23. INGERSOLL

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